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SUBJ: ECOSOC -- ILLICIT PAYMENTS: STATEMENT BY WHITE
HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY

CARACAS FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY LEWIS, GENEVA FOR MYERSON

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF STATEMENT BY WHITE HOUSE PRESS
SECRETARY ON ECOSOC ILLICIT PAYMENTS ACTION RELEASED
AUGUST 5: QUOTE:

TODAY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS
AGREED TO ESTABLISH AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP AUTHORIZED TO
PREPARE AN ACCORD TO PREVENT BRIBERY AND CORRUPT PRACTICES
IN INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS.

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WE ARE VERY PLEASED BY THIS ACTION, WHICH IS A DIRECT RESULT
OF A MAJOR U.S. INITIATIVE. WE CONSIDER THIS ACTION A MAJOR
STEP TOWARD AN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON BRIBERY WHICH WILL

PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE MEANS OF ELIMINATING ILLICIT PAYMENTS
MADE TO INFLUENCE FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS.

THE PRESIDENT HAS NOTED THAT AN EFFECTIVE SOLUTION TO THIS
PROBLEM MUST INVOLVE ACTION AT BOTH THE NATIONAL AND INTER-
NATIONAL LEVELS. THE INTERNATIONAL ACTION WHICH ECOSOC

HAS TAKEN TODAY IS CONSISTENT WITH THE PRESIDENT'S
PROPOSALS MADE ON MONDAY FOR DOMESTIC LEGISLATION ON
ILLICIT PAYMENTS.

END QUOTE

2. STATEMENT BEING CIRCULATED ON WIRELESS FILE.

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